

## Christ Church with St. Marys, Old Town, Swindon

Minutes of the Annual Parochial Church meeting held on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2018 at 11.30am in the Church.

### 1. Opening Prayer and Worship

Simon led prayers and welcomed all to the meeting

### 2. Attendance and apologies

Apologies were received from Anne Macmillan, Helen Parker – Drabble, Simon Opande, Anne and David Sharpe Thanks was expressed to Daniel Pitt for his time as Church warden. 50 people signed the attendance sheet which is attached to the file copy of the minutes.

### 3. Presentation to the outgoing Church Warden

A presentation was handed to Daniel Pitt who was retiring after five years of service.

### Annual Vestry Meeting

### 4. To elect two church Wardens

Pam Bridgeman and Jim D'Avila were nominated. Simon led the meeting in prayer for them both.

Name	Proposed by	Seconded by
Pam Bridgeman	Daniel Pitt	Jim D'Avila
Jim D'Avila	Daniel Pitt	Pam Bridgeman

**Resolved: The congregation elects the two persons named above to serve as Church Wardens. All Assented**

### 5. To elect two deputy church Wardens

Sandie Rule and Nitin Shinde were nominated. Simon led the meeting in prayer for them both.

Name	Proposed by	Seconded by
Sandie Rule	Jim D'Avila	Pam Bridgeman
Nitin Shinde	Pam Bridgeman	Jim D'Avila

**Resolved: The congregation elects the two persons named above to serve as Church Wardens. All Assented**

## Annual Parochial Church Meeting

- 6. To approve the minutes of the APCM held on the 30<sup>th</sup> April 2017**  
Resolution proposed by Margaret Williams and seconded by Ailsa Palmer.  
**Resolved: The congregation approves the minutes of the meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> April 2017**
- 7. Matters arising from the 2017 APCM – none**
- 8. To approve the report of the electoral Roll officer.**  
The acting Electoral Roll Officer, Ailsa Palmer, reported that the roll stands at 273,15 people had died or moved away and we welcomed 6 new members
- 9. To notify other items not covered on the agenda below – None**
- 10. To elect:**
- a) Up to 4 PCC members  
Vacancies arise because members of the PCC have stepped down, either because they have reached the end of their 3years term or for personal reasons. This year Brian Harris, Judith Hawkins, David Howell and Daniel Pitt (ex-officio member of PCC as Churchwarden are stepping down. All members were warmly thanked for their hard work and for their years of service on the PCC.  
Resolved: The congregation elects those named below to serve as members of the PCC. All assented. As Keith Tredget is stepping down as our Treasurer, Andrew Yeoward will be proposed as our new Treasurer at the first PCC meeting after the APCM. Andrew will then become ex officio a member of PCC.

Name	Proposed by	Seconded by
Andrew Yeoward	Brian Harris	Karen Harris
Sandie Rule	Pam Bridgeman	Jim D'Avila
Ruth Awinyo	Karen Harris	Daphne Hardwick
Daniel Pitt	David Ratnam	Greg Kendall
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**b) 4 deanery Synod Members**

Members of Deanery Synod also serve on the PCC as ex-officio members. This year the 4 members elected previously will continue to serve for the remaining two years of their three-year term. Simon commended them for their breadth knowledge of the wider world. They are Richard French, Greg Kendall, Ian Farr and Sheila Wright.

The 2018/2019 PCC now consists of

Ex-Officio: Revd. Simon Stevenette, Revd. Norma McKemey, Anne Macmillan (Lay Minister representative), Pam Bridgeman, Jim D'Avila, Greg Kendal, Ian Farr, Sheila Wright, Richard French. Andrew Yeoward (Hon. Treasurer).

Ex-officio but non-voting members: Helen Parker-Drabble (Parish Administrator); Chris Smith (CCDM)

Elected members serving till APCM 2019: Graham Kemp; until APCM 2020, Saimon Opande, Annette French, Janet French, Ailsa Palmer, Stephen Shinde. Our Deanery Synod members will come to the end of their term at this time too: Richard French, Ian Farr, Sheila Wright and Greg Kendall

## **11. To appoint:**

### **a) Side People**

Those listed below have volunteered to continue as side people and were affirmed by a show of hands;

Anne and David Sharpe, Jennie Loveday and Richard Leach, Pam Bridgman, Roger and Maria Morcumb, Christine Senior, The Shinde and Patole Families, Sheila Wright, Jim D'Avila, Margaret Harber, Jo Henry, Marjorie Wilson, Angela Wirdnam and Cynthia Desmond

The volunteers were thanked for their faithfulness.

### **b) Independent Examiners for 2018**

Proposed by David Ratnam and seconded by Christine Senior.

All Assented

Resolved: The congregation approved the appointment of Monahan's as Independent Examiners for the 2018 accounts

## **12. To receive and approve the Annual Report and Accounts 2017**

- Simon spoke of the work that had gone into the report and accounts. He most especially thanked Keith Tredget who is also the outgoing finance manager. Simon also thanked the PCC for the countless hours of service. He offered an apology for the times when there were any errors that were not compliant with the regulations.
- Keith then spoke of the accounts (all included in the annual report) Keith's presentation started by him thanking the congregation for their support during his tenure as a treasurer (4 Years of service) His presentation was all in the annual report which will be shared with the minutes.
- Keith expressed thanks, he also noted that 2017 was quite a momentous for the church. There was the new heating system, new floors and new lighting. He said thank you to Daniel and Mike, Stephen

Grosvenor, Nicola and Margaret William, thanking all those who have worked with him.

- He noted that 2017 income had doubled (details on the annual report) This was due to the lettings of the community centre, the beer festival among other activities.
- He acknowledged the legacies of the past generation for their generosity Chris Smith, Brian Harris and Carol Sims  
The annual treasurers report was pass unanimously

**The complete treasurers report will be attached to the minutes for future reference.**

**13. Presentation to Keith Tredget retiring as Treasurer after four years of invaluable service**

- Simon gives Keith a present and thanks him for his great work as he steps down after 4 years of service as the treasurer.
- Simon give Keith a glowing tribute reminiscing of his personal relationship with his family. He finished this with a word of prayer.

**14. Vicars report: Vision, mission and strategic review with Phil Mansfield, (Chair of the Strategic Plan and Development and Review Group**

Simon had the following presentation to the representatives:

- A. The Five C's prayer
  - Calling – What is our calling mostly as church members?
  - Competence – What are the competences given to us how can we use those gifts given to us?
  - Chemistry – Where two or three are gather God's presence is always there. How to relate to others and to be aware of our varied chemistry?
  - Character- Character resilience. What is our character? Are we able to keep the faith even amidst difficulty?
  - Culture – The most crucial word today. How do we do things, how do we vary everyday life?
- B. Phil Mansfield gave his PowerPoint presentation on the strategic plan for Christ Church with St. Mary's. The presentation will be attached along with the minutes.

**15. Opportunity to ask questions about strategic review:**

- Question: Judith asked about the worship review  
Answer: Phil confirmed that there will be inclusion of members to have their input on any changes

Question: David asked of strategy for the vision and mission

Answer: Phil: requested anyone who had any key words that they would want to have on the vision and mission to send it to him or to the parish office. He also said that the wider community was also being engaged on the same for their input.

Question: Jim asked about the worship review for (CC & St. M) are they the same?

Answer: Simon confirmed that there will be the same concept for both.

Phil will also make a copy of his presentation available for the congregation. Simon said a prayer for Phil as this was concluded.

#### **16. Any Other Business**

- Prayer for Immanuel as they look at issues and as they look into changes
- Outreach - Christmas and Lent
- Messy Church - We should remember them in our prayers
- Prayer request for the Swindon Deanery
- New Bishop of Bristol appointed but not announced yet
- Simon thanked Nicola and his family. He also thanked the congregation

#### **17. A provisional date for the next APCM was set for Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2019**

#### **18. Closing Prayer and Blessing**

Simon closed the meeting with a word of prayer